

## **News Release**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **CHAIN INSTALLER ORIENTATION**

**REDDING** – Individuals interested in working as chain installers this winter along State highways in Lassen, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama and Trinity counties must attend an orientation class and pass a written and performance examination. Applicants who have previously attended the orientation and passed the examinations will not be required to be re-tested in 2001.

The following are orientation and examination dates for District 2:

Saturday, October 13, - 8 a.m., Caltrans Office, 1657 Riverside Drive, Redding

Saturday, October 13, - 8 a.m., Caltrans Maintenance Station, 1745 South Main Street, Yreka

Thursday, October 18, - 9 a.m., Caltrans Office, 1657 Riverside Drive, Redding

Thursday, October 18, - 9 a.m., Caltrans Maintenance Station, 1745 South Main Street, Yreka

Since chain installers are independent business people, <u>not Caltrans employees</u>, they must obtain a business license from the county in which they work, before they are eligible for a permit. The cost of the chain installer's permit for the 2001/2002 winter season is \$196. The cost includes a State furnished identification vest that must be worn by the installer.

For more information regarding this orientation or obtaining a chain installer permit, contact the Permits Office at (530) 225-3400 or Jim Josdal at the Yreka Maintenance Office at (530) 842-3451.

Chain Installer Permits will not be issued to individuals who fail to attend one of the above sessions.